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Excerpt from Diary Notes (DD/S) L. K. White - Deputies' Meeting, 27 March 1957
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Colonel White:

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b. Referred to the forthcoming exhibit by TSS of some of its gadgets and suggested that within the bounds of security we invite our cleared contacts in the Bureau of the Budget to view this exhibit, particularly since a good deal of our funds are expended in research and development. The Director approved.

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Colonel White:

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a) Noted that Frank Nash (Nash Committee to Study U.S. Military Overseas Bases and Operating Facilities) had requested a briefing on or about 10 April. The Director asked Colonel White to find out exactly what Mr. Nash wanted, noting we should lend him all assistance.

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Mr. Dulles:

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e) Asked DD/P to furnish him a report of our accomplishments during 1956 for use at our forthcoming budget presentation. The Director said this report should include letters we have received from Ambassadors and any other high ranking U.S. officials commending our people for exceptional service in carrying out particular operations (e.g. letter from Ambassador Parsons to the Director commending [redacted] and two of his officers for outstanding service in connection with U.S. efforts to forestall the entry of Pathet Lao Communists into the Government of Laos.) 25X1A9a

Colonel White noted Mr. Corhal D. Orescan of the House Appropriations Committee Staff had commented that the Armed Services when appearing to defend their budgets, presented a much more comprehensive intelligence picture than CIA. The Director said he saw no reason why we should take a back seat and asked Colonel White to determine from Ruskin his views as to how we can improve our briefings and just what the Committee wants.

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4. Dr. [REDACTED] of the Technical Services Staff were up to see me about "space." They want very much to renovate the south outbuilding into which they could move the units which are now in the basements of the North and Central Buildings. This would cost about [REDACTED]. The idea may have real merit since as it stands now we will not be able to get the Technical Services Staff into the new building and this proposed arrangement would consolidate most, if not all, of TSS in one location. However, I explained to them that as a practical matter it might be extremely difficult to spend [REDACTED] on the renovation of an old building at this time. Nevertheless, I agreed to have Jim [REDACTED] and his engineers make an estimate of the situation and to speak to the Director about it. In the course of our conversation we also discussed the possibility of moving their Furnishings and Equipment Division from its present location on [REDACTED] Avenue to the [REDACTED] Warehouse. Dr. [REDACTED] said that he had never objected to this but that the Office of Security had ruled it out. I want to explore it again with Shef. I don't really see the overriding security objections to this plan.

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3. Discussed with [REDACTED] the negotiation of a new support agreement with the [REDACTED] and the meeting which he will participate in shortly on this subject. I emphasized to him that as far as I could see we were supporting the [REDACTED] rather than the [REDACTED] supporting us and that we should make sure that we did not agree to some arrangement which would cost us a great deal more money than we were now spending. In this connection, Jim said that recently he had nonconcurred in a paper being circulated by the FE Division which proposed to dispose of the [REDACTED]. I repeated my conviction that we should keep the [REDACTED] for the time being and advised him that [REDACTED] had concurred in this orally and that I had so advised the people on [REDACTED].

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4. At the Deputies' Meeting we also discussed the release of [REDACTED] 25X1A6a
[REDACTED] Mr. Dulles was reluctant to sign off on this. He gave
the paper to [REDACTED] and told him to bring it to his attention again 25X1A9a
in two weeks.

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3. General McClelland also called to my attention the fact that
everybody and his brother was in contact with either ASA or the Department
of Defense about [REDACTED] Through General McClelland ASA has requested 25X1A6a
that the Agency firm up its position. I have instructed [REDACTED] 25X1A9a
to follow through on this and to insure that neither the DD/P nor DD/I
sides of the house approach the Department of Defense on this matter again
until we have an Agency position.

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8. Talked to General McClelland on two or three occasions about
[REDACTED] Apparently Mr. Godel of General Erskine's office is going on a 25X1A6a
trip and wanted to go to [REDACTED] on our behalf. I told General McClelland
that under no circumstances did we want Mr. Godel to have any excuse for
traveling on CIA business. General McClelland finally told the Department
of Defense that we thought it would just muddy the waters for anyone to
go to [REDACTED] on our behalf until we had firmed up an Agency position on the
whole matter.

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4. [redacted] was up to bring me a paper on the [redacted] situation. This is confused apparently, and at the moment the Office of Communications is not in a position to push it but would use the area if the NEA Division went in there. Doug recommends, and I thoroughly agree, that we should have a policy decision on our world base plans, i.e., are we going to have bases, and, if so, where are they going to be; are we going to build them now or wait until the war (if any) starts? I checked this with [redacted] of Logistics who confirmed that to his knowledge there had not been a study of this matter since OPC days of 1951 and 1952. I agreed with [redacted] that I would raise this with [redacted] and request that the whole situation be brought into focus again and possibly reviewed by the Project Review Committee and approved by the Director.

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1. [redacted] called my attention to a cable (IN 48381) from [redacted] which indicates that serious thought is being given to releasing [redacted] thus confirming our conversations with Admiral Stump last Fall. If this is given up apparently the new headquarters, which will be under General Smith of the Air Force, will be at [redacted]. This would, of course, require a readjustment of our physical arrangements, but as yet nothing is definite.

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4. I talked to [redacted] about the [redacted] project and he agreed with me that we should make a completely new study of our world base concept. Nothing has been done on this since OPC days. I have instructed [redacted] to proceed accordingly.

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3. Stan Grogan was present at the Deputies' Meeting at which time we spent a full hour discussing the advisability of permitting television companies to use OSS files and, with our assistance, put on intelligence-type programs. Stan recommended very strongly against the idea. [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED], and Bob Amory were all for it very strongly. General Cabell, General [REDACTED] and I commented that we believed it would be advisable to handle our relations with the television industry according to the same formula that we used in handling our relations with the press.

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[REDACTED] came very close to supporting this point of view. The net result was that the Director asked [REDACTED] to draft a formula with Stan's assistance for dealing with all public information media. After its approval by him we will conduct ourselves accordingly.

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1. I talked to [REDACTED] about auditing Project AQUATONE. He promised to touch base with [REDACTED] and to let me know within a day or two whether he thought it would be feasible. I also told him that I was very interested in surveying the whole Project from a manpower point of view so that we could plan an orderly phasedown and disposition of it. He said that he thought it was not too early to do this but would like to sit down with me and General Cabell to discuss the over-all future of the Project before we started. I agreed to do this and expect to hear from him within the next few days. In this connection, it is obvious that he believes there is a substantial duplication between AQUATONE and [REDACTED] I gather that had he had his way [REDACTED] might have been canceled some time ago. He definitely thinks that AQUATONE and [REDACTED] should be meshed and with, I believe, AQUATONE absorbing [REDACTED] rather than the reverse. In any case, I should push on this matter since there is very definitely a manpower problem to be sorted out here in the not too distant future.

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